Board of County Commissioners

Leon County, Florida

Policy No. 98-22

Title: Public Notification of Road Closing

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Reference: n/a

Policy Superseded: 93-34 Public Notification of Road Closing, 1/12/93

It shall be the policy of the Board of County Commissioners of Leon County, Florida, that Policy No. 93-34, entitled "Public Notification of Road Closing," adopted by the Board of County Commissioners on January 12, 1993, is hereby repealed and superseded, and a new policy is hereby adopted in its place, to wit:

A. Planned Closings

When any County road is to be completely closed to traffic because of maintenance, construction or planned events for 24 hours or longer, the following guidelines shall apply.

- 1. When the Public Works Director determines that it is in the best interest of safety to the general traveling public, a roadway shall be closed only upon the proper detour signing and barricading as per the latest Florida Department of Transportation Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices.
- 2. Seven (7) days prior to any planned roadway closing, a sign, erected by the contractor, stating the date of closing, shall be erected at the limits of the construction on the roadway and at the major intersections of all roads inside the limits of activity on roadway.
- 3. At least seven days prior to any planned roadway closing, to ensure the safety and welfare of the general traveling public, the contractor or utility provider to which the road closing has been granted, shall in form organizations on a list maintained by the County's Public Information Officer. Each organization will be advised by a letter which will provide all the necessary details of the planned construction. The letter shall be submitted to, and approved by, the Public Works Director prior to its release.

B. Unplanned or Unscheduled Maintenance and/or Emergency Closing (During or After Normal Duty Hours)

In case adequate notification of a road closing is not received by the Public Works Department, or if any emergency (during or after normal duty hours) causes a County road to be completely closed to traffic for any reason for 24 hours or longer, notification of such closing, including all detour routes, will be made by telephone, as soon as possible, to media organizations, the Public Works Director and the County Administrator.